

**Family & Juvenile Law Section Council Minutes of May 9, 2007 Meeting and Awards Dinner**

1. The minutes of the April 11, 2007 meeting were approved with adjustments.
2. Awards were made to each Section Council member for their contributions to the section in 2006-2007. The awards were presented by Chair-Elect Marc Noren in the absence of Chair Stacy Siegel.
3. The nominations for Section Council members and the officer track were presented, as follows: President Marc Noren, President-Elect Cindy Callahan, Secretary Mary Sanders, Treasurer Dorothy Lennig. For three year terms: Justin Sasser, Chris Van Roden, Mary Anne Day, Kevin Beard and Master David Bruce. To fulfill Dorothy Lennig's unexpired two-year term: Deb Webb. Approval of the nominations was moved, seconded and approved unanimously. The slate will be presented at the annual meeting in Ocean City on June 15 for Section approval.
4. Congratulations and thanks to Barbara Trader and Jolie Weinberg for the successful, lovely reunion event at Savage Mill in April. Deb Webb agreed to obtain email addresses for former chairs of the Section Council so that we can stay in touch with them more easily for future events.
5. Annual Meeting (Marc Noren)
  - A. Marc reported that the program with the judges is progressing well and nearing completion.
  - B. Entertainment (Ron Bergman)

Ron Bergman and Craig Little are developing the script for the game show with audience participation, music and dancing. Paul Reinstein has agreed to be the moderator.

There is a role for the newbies.

There will be a preparation breakfast meeting on Friday, June 15 before the program at the Clarion Restaurant; details will be provided once arrangements have been made.

6. Summer Study (Cindy Callahan/Dodie Fait/Dorothy Lennig)

The development of a custody statute to be presented to the legislature in the 2008 session is in early stages of workup and council members will be kept apprised of developments as the summer progresses.

7. 2007-2008 Planning (Marc Noren)

Marc Noren detailed ideas about new initiatives, including outreach to county and local bar associations, the MSBA listserv, and to the general Section membership. We will have further discussion about this effort at the June luncheon meeting following the program. In the meantime, Council members were asked to think about what other new committees or initiatives could be undertaken by the Council.

8. Groner Award

The Section Council conducted balloting and the 2007 winner, from a pool of seven nominees, was selected unanimously after two ballots.

9. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be at lunch at Fager's Island on Friday, June 15 at 1:15 (following the program).

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Callahan

**ATTENDEES: (need to update)**

Marc Noren, Chair Elect  
Mary Sanders, Treasurer  
Ron Bergman  
Dodie Fait  
Erin Gable  
Helen Harrington  
Walter Herbert  
Craig J. Little  
Dorothy Lennig  
Barbara Trader  
Deborah Webb  
Jolie Weinberg  
Vince Wills  
Alyssa Cummins